

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN JOE BALYEAT**, on March 13, 2003 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Joe Balyeat, Chairman (R)
Rep. George Golie, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Michael Lange, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Debby Barrett (R)
Rep. Paul Clark (D)
Rep. Jill Cohenour (D)
Rep. George Everett (R)
Rep. Tom Facey (D)
Rep. Daniel Fuchs (R)
Rep. Steven Gallus (D)
Rep. Carol Gibson (D)
Rep. Gail Gutsche (D)
Rep. Larry Jent (D)
Rep. Bob Lake (R)
Rep. Don Roberts (R)
Rep. Allen Rome (R)
Rep. Scott Sales (R)
Rep. Jim Shockley (R)
Rep. Pat Wagman (R)
Rep. Sandy Weiss (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Pamela Schindler, Committee Secretary
Doug Sternberg, Legislative Branch

Video-taped Committee: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. A video-taped recording of the meeting is available from the Montana Historical Society.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 209, SB 253, SB 184, 3/6/2003

Executive Action: SB 253-Be Concurred In

HEARING ON SB 209

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:00 **SEN. JON TESTER, SD 45 -- Title of Bill:** Require State
 of Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks to publish count of
 game animals.

Proponents' Testimony:

06:00 Gilda Clancy, Montana Shooting Sports Association
07:00 John Bloomquist, Montana Stockgrowers Association
07:00 John Youngbird, Montana Farm Bureau
08:00 Robert Francis, Montana Bowhunters Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

09:00 Larry Peterman, State of Montana, Fish, Wildlife and
 Parks

EXHIBIT(fih53a01)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

10:00

Closing by Sponsor:

21:00

HEARING ON SB 253

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

23:00 **SEN. JIM ELLIOT, SD 36 -- Title of Bill:** Creating a
 10-day nonresident fishing license.

Proponents' Testimony:

24:00 Robin Cunningham, Fishing, Outfitters Association of
 Montana
26:00 Larry Peterman, State of Montana, Fish, Wildlife and
 Parks

EXHIBIT(fih53a02)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

27:00

Closing by Sponsor:

29:00

HEARING ON SB 184

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

30:00 **SEN. EDWARD BUTCHER, SD 47** -- Authorize lifetime
concealed weapon permits.

EXHIBIT(fih53a03)

Proponents' Testimony:

40:00 Gilda Clancy, Montana Shooting Sports Association
45:00 Brian Chinsmo, Weapons Collectors Society of Montana
48:00 Randy Peneche, 2nd Amendment Committee of Montana,
Montana Republican Committee

Opponents' Testimony:

51:00 Jim Smith, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers
Association
56:00 Dan Smrdel, Cascade County Sheriffs Department

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

1:05:00

Closing By Sponsor

1:53:00

CHAIRMAN BALLYEAT discussed with the Committee various topics and
Committee business.

EXHIBIT(fih53a04)

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 253

Motion/Vote: **REP. SALES** moved that SB 253 BE CONCURRED IN.
Motion carried unanimously. (voice vote)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:05 P.M.

REP. JOE BALLYEAT, Chairman

PAMELA SCHINDLER, Secretary

JB/PS

EXHIBIT (fih53aad)